

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON TUESDAY EVENING MAY 26, 2009**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the minutes from the April 30, 2009, Special Meeting of the Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct. It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins to amend the minutes from the April 30, 2009 Special Meeting of the Council by adding "by a majority of the Council" after "It was decided" in paragraphs 3 and 5.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins and Tellalian

NAYS: Commissioners Curry, Hosty and Mayor Calderone

ABSENT: None

The motion failed.

The clerk was instructed to call the roll call on the original motion.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty,
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Tellalian

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Curry that the minutes from the May 9, 2009, Special Meeting of the Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian that the minutes from the May 9, 2009, Closed Session meeting of the council be approved

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the minutes from the May 11, 1009, Regular meeting of the Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the minutes from the May 11, 2009, Closed Session meeting of the Council be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Debra Vines of 1038 Troost, Forest Park announced that the Autism Support Group, The Answer, Inc., will be moving into their new offices in Forest Park on August 1, 2009. Ms. Vines further reported that they will be holding a support group meeting at the Forest Park Community Center on June 22, a dance in Bellwood on June 6, a fundraiser on September 20th, and that they have provided funds for 13 Forest Park children to go to summer camp.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Colleen Kevil of Kevil's requested permission to close Elgin Avenue from Circle to the alley south of Kevil's to host a fundraising event on May 31 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. There being no objections from the Council, the clerk was instructed to notify Mrs. Kevil of the approval.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Curry that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The Commissioner of Accounts and Finance

**R-26-09
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE**

has reviewed the bills as applicable to each department and found the aggregate amounts to be correct and recommends payment when funds are available. The bills totaled \$247,782.41.

**AMOUNT OF \$247,782.41
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian that the minutes from the March 23, 2009, Closed Session meeting of the Council be approved.

**MOTION TO APPROVE
MARCH 23, 2009 CLOSED
SESSION MINUTES
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian to amend the minutes from the March 23, 2009, Closed Session meeting by adding two sentences as highlighted on a document that was distributed by Commissioner Tellalian. Mayor Calderone, as chair, called a point of order and ruled that closed session minutes should be discussed in closed session. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

**MOTION TO AMEND
MARCH 23, 2009 CLOSED
SESSION MINUTES
FAILS**

The clerk was instructed to call the roll call on the main motion.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Tellalian

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Hosty

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Village Engineer, Mike Stirk, of Christopher B. Burke Engineering and architect, Trista Kerr, distributed and gave a presentation regarding proposed renovations for housing the Police Detectives at 501 Desplaines. It was discussed that the renovations would allow the Village to discontinue renting a trailer for this purpose. There were no questions from the Village Council. Mr. Stirk requested any feedback to be forwarded to him.

**DISCUSSION RE:
PROPOSED RENOVATIONS
TO 501 DESPLAINES**

Village Engineer, Mike Stirk, of Christopher B. Burke Engineering, distributed and gave a presentation outlining suggested infrastructure improvements village-wide. Suggested improvements included improvements to the transportation and streetscape, water system, sewer system,

**DISCUSSION RE:
SUGGESTED VILLAGE-
WIDE INFRASTRUCTURE
IMPROVEMENTS**

local streets, local alleys and parking areas. In addition, Mr. Stirk suggested that the Village apply for FAU (Federal Aid Urban) status for Harrison and Circle Avenues as both meet the criteria. There was no objection from the Council and Mr. Stirk was instructed to move forward toward obtaining FAU status for Harrison and Circle. Mr. Stirk stated that it may be possible to receive funding through the Illinois EPA for the sewer separation project. It was discussed that ultimately, the Village Council will decide the priority of the projects. Mr. Stirk suggested that a meeting be scheduled with the elected officials to discuss prioritizing the projects.

Agenda Item #3 was pulled from the agenda.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Curry that the Ordinance fixing the salaries for the officials and employees of the Village of Forest Park from and after May 1, 2009, be adopted.

It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian that the Ordinance fixing the salaries for the officials and employees of the Village of Forest Park from and after May 1, 2009, be tabled. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

The clerk was instructed to call the roll call on the main motion.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Tellalian

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution providing for the levy of an additional library tax for building and maintenance be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Ordinance authorizing an alteration to a non-conforming use in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: ZAH 2009-02: 1122 Marengo Avenue be adopted.

AGENDA ITEM #3 PULLED

**O-33-09
ORDINANCE FIXING
SALARIES EFFECTIVE MAY
1, 2009
APPROVED**

**MOTION TO TABLE
SALARY ORDINANCE
FAILS**

**R-27-09
RESOLUTION PROVIDING
FOR ADDITIONAL LIBRARY
TAX LEVY
APPROVED**

**O-34-09
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
ALTERATION TO NON-
CONFORMING USE RE:
1122 MARENGO
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian that the Ordinance authorizing an alteration to a non-conforming use in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: ZAH 2009-01: 1510 Marengo Avenue be adopted.

**O-35-09
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
ALTERATION TO NON-
CONFORMING USE RE:
1510 MARENGO
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Hosty and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Tellalian

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Curry

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution authorizing and approving a loan to finance the purchase price of a new street sweeper be adopted.

**R-28-09
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING LOAN TO
PURCHASE STREET
SWEEPER
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution waiving the hiring freeze for IMRF employees be adopted.

**R-29-09
RESOLUTION WAIVING
IMRF HIRING FREEZE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS:

Commissioner Hosty reported that he received a request to hold a block party on Circle Avenue. Our policy does not allow block parties on a main thoroughfare. Commissioner Hosty requested that this be placed on a future agenda to discuss alternatives for those residents that are affected by this rule. The streets that are prohibited from holding block parties are: Circle, Desplaines, Harlem, Harvard, Jackson, Lathrop (North of Madison), Madison and Roosevelt Road.

Commissioner Tellalian reported that there is still time to sign up for the 50/50 sidewalk program. Residents wishing to participate should contact the Village at 708-366-2323.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Hosty motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Curry seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk